

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

RONALD SATISH EMRIT.,

Plaintiff,

v.

YALE UNIVERSITY (ORDER OF SKULL
AND BONES),

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 22-30151-MGM

ORDER

November 16, 2022

MASTROIANNI, U.S.D.J.

This action is DISMISSED without prejudice under the prior pending action doctrine. The prior pending action doctrine “covers scenarios in which actions involving the same parties and similar subject matter are pending in different federal district courts and the overlap between the two suits is nearly complete.” *Maldonado-Cabrera v. Anglero-Alfaro*, 26 F.4th 523, 526 (1st Cir. 2022) (citation and quotations omitted). As the First Circuit teaches, “[w]hen such a scenario looms, . . . the usual practice is for the court that first had jurisdiction to resolve the issues and the other court to defer.” *Id.* (citation and quotations omitted). Indeed, the “power to dismiss a duplicative lawsuit is meant to foster judicial economy and the comprehensive disposition of litigation.” *Id.* (citations and quotations omitted).

Here, the prior pending action is applicable. On November 15, 2022, plaintiff Ronald Satish Emrit, (“Emrit”), a “serial filer of frivolous actions in federal courts throughout the United States,”

Emrit v. Special Agent In Charge Of FBI Field Office In Southern District Of New York (SDNY), No. 22CV06768PKCLB, 2022 WL 16837103, at *1 (E.D.N.Y. Nov. 9, 2022) filed this action. (*See* Complaint, ECF No. 1.) One week prior, on November 7, 2022, Emrit filed a virtually identical action in the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut against the same defendant named here. *See Emrit v. Yale University*, 3:22-cv-01422-OAW, Complaint, ECF No. 1. That action is still pending.

Accordingly, the Court while taking no position on the merits of this action, dismisses it without prejudice under the prior pending action doctrine. The Clerk is directed to enter a separate order of dismissal and close the case.

It is So Ordered.

/s/ Mark G. Mastroianni
MARK G. MASTROIANNI
United States District Judge